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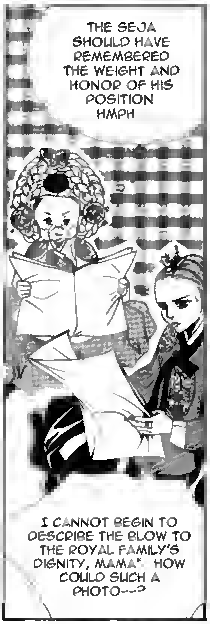

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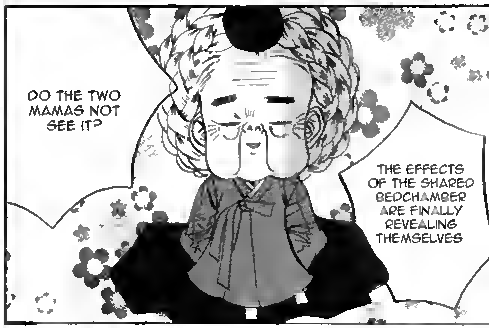
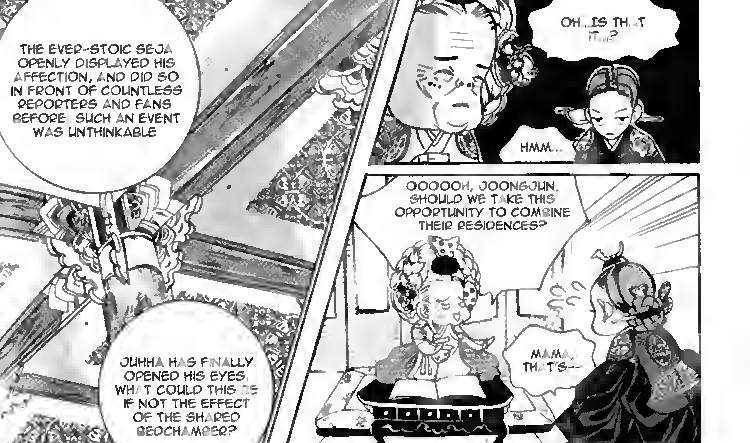
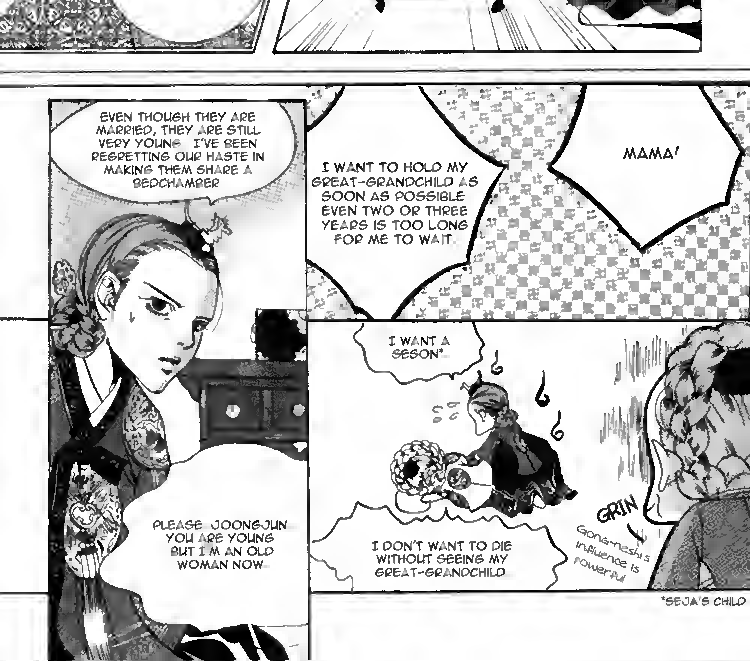



THE EVER-STOIC SEJA OPENLY DISPLAYED HIS AFFECTION, AND DID SO IN FRONT OF COUNTLESS REPORTERS AND FANS BEFORE. SUCH AN EVENT WAS UNTHINKABLE
JUHHA HAS FINALLY OPENED HIS EYES. WHAT COULD THIS BE IF NOT THE EFFECT OF THE SHARED BEDCHAMBER?
OH...IS THAT TRUE?
HMM...
OOOOOH, JOONGJUN. SHOULD WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO COMBINE THEIR RESIDENCES?
MAMA, THAT'S--


EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE MARRIED, THEY ARE STILL VERY YOUNG. I'VE BEEN REGRETTING OUR HASTE IN MAKING THEM SHARE A BEDCHAMBER.
PLEASE, JOONGJUN. YOU ARE YOUNG BUT I'M AN OLD WOMAN NOW.
I WANT TO HOLD MY GREAT-GRANDCHILD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. EVEN TWO OR THREE YEARS IS TOO LONG FOR ME TO WAIT.
MAMA!
I WANT A SEOSON*.
I DON'T WANT TO DIE WITHOUT SEEING MY GREAT-GRANDCHILD.
GRIN
Gongmesh's influence is powerful.

*SEJA'S CHILD

HERE
AND HERE

THAT PICTURE IS EVERYWHERE. HOW CAN I GO TO SCHOOL WHEN I'M SO MORTIFIED?
KISS~
KISS~
KISS~

IN ORDER FOR THE ROYAL HOUSE TO SURVIVE IN THIS TOUGH MODERN WORLD
SHOWMANSHIP IS REQUIRED

THESE PEOPLE PAY ENORMOUS TAXES TO SUPPORT US
SHOULDN'T WE OCCASIONALLY SHOW THEM WHAT THEY WANT TO SEE?

NOT JUST A KISS, BUT
SOMETHING EVEN MORE---
...?!
YOU KNOW
WE AREN'T VERY DIFFERENT FROM PROFESSIONAL ACTORS.
THE MONARCHY IS MAINTAINED AT THE COST OF HIGH TAXES BECAUSE THE PUBLIC NEEDS ROLE MODELS, AND WE'RE THE IDOLS THEY FOLLOW.
THEY WANT AN AFFECTIONATE ROYAL COUPLE, BUT INSTEAD THEY HEAR RUMORS ABOUT A POLITICAL MARRIAGE AND STRAINED RELATIONS. WHY WOULDN'T THEY FEEL UNEASY?
THROUGH THE MEDIA, OUR SMALLEST ACTIONS
CAN EASILY RELIEVE THEIR ANXIETY

SIMPLE
THAT'S JUST YOUR OPINION
DON'T INSULT THE CITIZENS
THE KING
WE TRULY LOVE THE ROYAL FAMILY,
RESPECT THE GOOKWANG-JUNHA"
NO ONE THINKS THE ROYAL FAMILY IS LIKE JIM CARREY FROM "THE TRUMAN SHOW"
UNLIKE YOU, I USED TO BE AN ORDINARY CITIZEN. I KNOW WHAT THEY THINK BETTER THAN YOU DO
AND TAKE PRIDE IN YOU, THE FUTURE GOOKWANG!

DAMN WHAT DO I SAY AT A TIME LIKE THIS?
A-ANYWAY
I'M THINKING OF FIRING YOUR SECRETARY AND BODYGUARDS
WHAT?
WHY AM I SAYING THINGS I DON'T MEAN?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN, WHAT? ARE YOU ASKING ME THE REASON?
AND IF YOU PULL THAT KIND OF CRAP AGAIN, I'LL MOVE YOU INTO DONGGOONGJUN!
TH-THIS ISN'T--

HA... YOU--
SO YOU'RE DOING THIS BECAUSE I WENT WITH YUL TO VISIT MY GRANDFATHER
IF I RECALL, LEE SHIN,
YOU GOT PRETTY UPSET OVER ME JUST TOUCHING YOUR LOCKER
AND YOU ACCUSED ME OF INVADING YOUR PRIVACY BECAUSE I OPENED YOUR GIRLFRIEND'S LETTER. YOU TOTALLY HUMILIATED ME...
YET I'M SUPPOSED TO BEG YOUR PERMISSION FOR EVERY LITTLE THING?
MY GOD, IT'S RIDICULOUS...
.....

IS THIS AN AFTER-EFFECT OF THAT NIGHT?
BEFORE I WOULD'VE WANTED TO SLAP HER
TELL ME!
AM I WRONG?
WHY ARE YOU JUST STANDING THERE?
YOU DON'T HAVE AN ANSWER, DO YOU?
NOW
WHAT SHOULD I SAY?
WHOA!
SHE LOOKS SO SEXY!!

YOU CAN GO.
I'D BETTER NOT KEEP LOOKING AT HER
HEY, IN HER LETTER, HYO RIN SAID...
SHE WAS GRATEFUL AND HAPPY FOR YOUR WORDS. WHAT DID YOU SAY TO HER, HUH?
I SAID LEAVE.
YOU THINK I'M STAYING BECAUSE I WANT TO? I'M HERE OUT OF CURIOSITY.
I'M TIRED. IF YOU KEEP---
STOP IGNORING ME AND ANSWER! YOU, YOU ADULTERER!
IT'S NOT FAIR--
SWIVEL
I SAID STOP!

IF YOU KEEP AGGRAVATING ME

MOIST
!
GASP!
SIGCK
LEAVE-- NOW
WH- WHAT?
LISTEN,
YOU SEEM TO KEEP FORGETTING, BUT FOR YOUR OWN SAFETY YOU NEED TO REMEMBER...
BEFORE I AM THE WANGSEJA OR WHATEVER...

I AM.
A MAN!
COMING OUT.
Did I ever say you were a girl?
GET OUT!!
I'm leaving~

JONG MYO JE RYE - ROYAL ANCESTRAL RITE

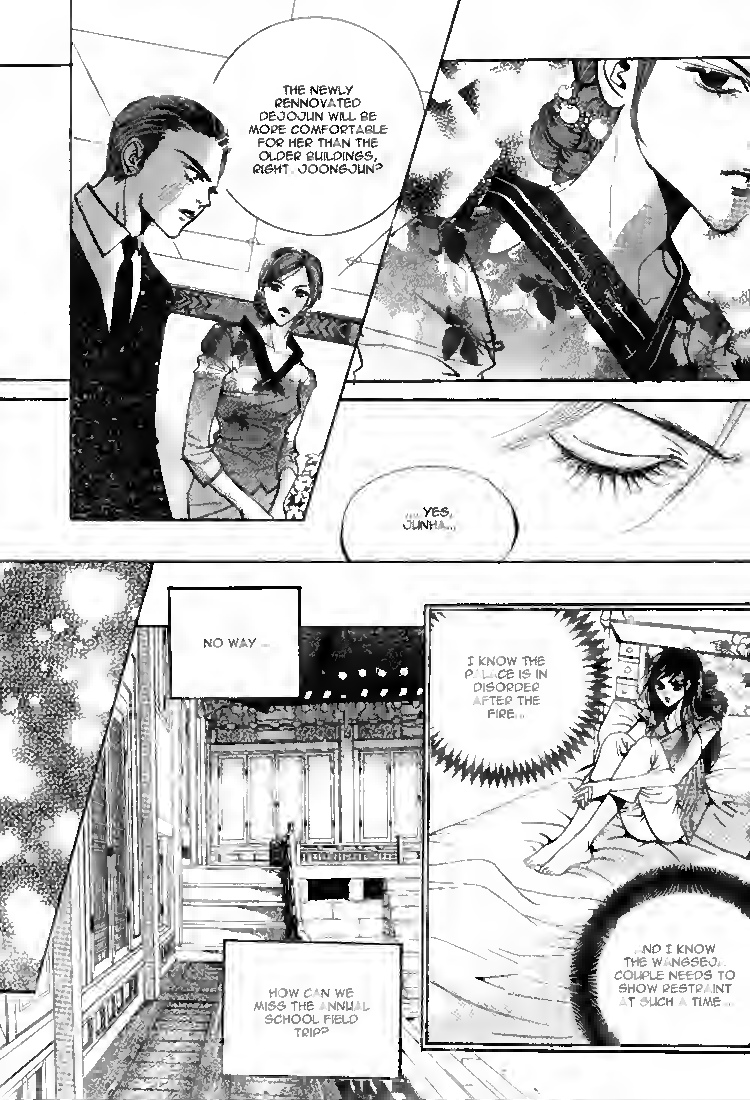
TODAY, CEREMONIES SIMILAR TO THESE ARE STILL PERFORMED ON A MUCH SMALLER SCALE IN MANY KOREAN HOUSEHOLDS IN REMEMBRANCE OF, AND RESPECT FOR, ANCESTORS. THE ANCESTORS' SPIRITS ARE INVITED WITH INCENSE (SPIRITS ARE BELIEVED TO BE CONNECTED TO FIRE). DESCENDANTS BOW TO SHOW THEIR RESPECT FOR THEIR ANCESTORS, AFTER WHICH FOOD AND LIQUOR ARE OFFERED FOR THEIR ENJOYMENT. THE ANCESTORS (IN SPIRIT) AND THE DESCENDANTS THEN EAT THE FOOD AS A GESTURE OF TOGETHERNESS. CONTINUED BURNING OF INCENSE ALLOWS THE SPIRITS TO DEPART.

MOAN
FIRE!
QUICKLY, PROTECT THE DEBIMAMA!
SMOKE IS ENTERING THE BEDCHAMBER!

SLAM
MAMA, THERE IS A FIRE IN THE ADJACENT PALACE
PLEASE EVACUATE IMMEDIATELY. YOUR ROOM IS FILLING WITH SMOKE

TAKE MAMA TO THE PALACE HOSPITAL.
MAKE SURE SHE'S TREATED IMMEDIATELY FOR SMOKE INHALATION!
WHAT IS THE DEBI'S CONDITION?
THANKFULLY SHE DIDN'T INHALE ANY SMOKE.
SHE APPEARS TO BE UNHARMED--
EVEN IF SHE'S FINE PHYSICALLY
SHE MUST BE IN SHOCK IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT

THE DEBI SAYS SHE WILL STAY AT CHANGEYUNGGOONG UNTIL THE CAUSE OF THE FIRE IS DISCOVERED.
YES... THAT'S FINE. SHE WOULDN'T WANT TO RETURN TO SYUNGBOKGOONG--
SHE HAS A REQUEST SHE WOULD LIKE GRANTED ABOUT THE MOVE.
WHAT IS IT?
THE DEBI WOULD LIKE TO USE THE DEJOJUN WHILE STAYING AT CHANGEYUNGGOONG.
WHAT--?
The Dejojun is the queen's accomodations consisting of the bedchamber and official rooms
BUT THE D-DEJOJUN IS...
TELL HER PERMISSION IS GRANTED


THE NEWLY RENNOVATED DEJOJUN WILL BE MORE COMFORTABLE FOR HER THAN THE OLDER BUILDINGS, RIGHT, JOONGJUN?
...YES, JUNHA...
I KNOW THE P...CE IS IN DISORDER AFTER THE FIRE...
...NO I KNOW THE WANGSEJ... COUPLE NEEDS TO SHOW RESTRAINT AT SUCH A TIME...
NO WAY...
HOW CAN WE MISS THE ANNUAL SCHOOL FIELD TRIP?

BUT
THIS IS THE LAST SCHOOL TRIP OF MY LIFE!
DOES SHIN KNOW ABOUT THIS?
THOUGH WITH THAT BASTARD'S PERSONALITY HE PROBABLY DOESN'T CARE ABOUT IT
I'VE GOT TO CONVINCE HIM
HE'S THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN GET THE ELDERS TO CHANGE THEIR MINDS.
YES. I'LL GO SEE HIM!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN I CAN'T GO IN?
JUNHA LEFT ORDERS HE WAS NOT TO BE DISTURBED...
BUT I NEED TO SPEAK TO THE SEJA IMMEDIATELY ABOUT AN IMPORTANT MATTER
OH, FORGET IT. I'M JUST GOING IN! I'M HIS WIFE; WHY SHOULD I BE AFRAID?
BINGOONG...

BE ESPECIALLY CAREFUL OF CHAE SYUNG. SHE'S MUCH QUICKER THAN SHE LOOKS
YES, JUHHA...
MAKE SURE THIS DOESN'T LEAK OUT TO ANYONE.
IF DEBI FINDS OUT I'VE DONE THIS, SHE MIGHT TRY TO KILL ME HAHAHA...
WHAT'S THIS ?
JUHHA, SUCH WORDS-

SINCE THAT WASN'T WHERE THE DEBI WAS SUPPOSED TO LIVE-- DIDN'T IT ACTUALLY WORK OUT WELL?
IT CAN'T BE!

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NO WAY. HE MAY NOT BE A GOOD GUY. BUT IS HE DEPRAVED ENOUGH TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
Kyaa
SHAP
HE MIGHT BE—
WHEN I THINK OF ALL THE SHIT HE'S DONE TO ME—
SLIIIDE
NO. STILL...

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DAMN-
SHOULD'VE HIDDEN IN THAT CLOSET OVER THERE
I CAN ONLY SEE HIS LEGS FROM HERE!
TICK TICK TICK
MY WHOLE BODY IS FALLING ASLEEP.
I WANT TO ESCAPE, BUT THE SHOWER STALL IS TRANSPARENT. THERE'S NO CHANCE I COULD GET CAUGHT.
THEN HE'LL INTERROGATE ME UNTIL HE DISCOVERS I EAVESDROPPED WITH THAT TEMPER OF HIS, HE DEFINITELY WON'T FORGIVE ME—
Sejabin's Body Found Curled Up at Gyungbokgoong
WAS A GOOD WIFE AND THE COUNTRY'S SEJAJN
Now let me introduce the new sejajin-!
Already?!

IF WE MEET LIKE THAT
GASP
OR—
WE MIGHT HAVE AN AWKWARD RELATIONSHIP FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES!
B-BUT MY ENTIRE BODY IS GOING NUMB
DOES THAT BASTARD PONDLE HIMSELF IN THE SHOWER? WHAT'S TAKING SO LONG?
YEAH. I'LL JUST SUFFER.

AH...I CAN'T IF I WAIT ANY LONGER I'LL BECOME A HUMAN VEGETABLE...
HE'S OUT!" BUT...?
IS THAT A BLOW DRYER HE'S HOLDING? HE CAN'T BE PLANNING TO DRY HIS HAIR TOO? DAMN! MY BODY IS STIFFENING UP
WHO'S THERE?
IT'S ME...

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HOW MUCH DID YOU HEAR?
I'LL KEEP QUIET, BUT...
DOING SOMETHING LIKE THAT— I'M REALLY DISAPPOINTED IN YOU
YOU MIGHT HAVE A COLD AND ARROGANT SIDE
BUT I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE MALICIOUS ENOUGH TO DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT.
SO, I'LL...
YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW?

I DID IT ALL FOR YOU.
ARE YOU REALLY SAYING THIS NOT KNOWING—?
WHAT? YOU'RE DOING IT FOR ME?
I NEVER ASKED YOU TO DO THAT!
IT'S TRUE I HATE DEB!—MAMA, BUT I TOTALLY CAN'T UNDERSTAND TORMENTING HER THAT WAY

HA
YEAH...
YEAH I
BET YOU'D
BE JUST
FINE
WHAT'S HE
TALKING ABOUT ALL
OF A SUDDEN?
TAKE ME IN?
YOU HAVE LOTS
OF PEOPLE BESIDES
ME WHO WILL TAKE
YOU IN, RIGHT?

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HEY, STOP RIGHT THERE, LEE SHIN!!
WAS I TOO LOUD?
WHAT?
SHOULD I JUST ASK HIM STRAIGHT OUT IF HE SET FIRE TO THE DEBIDUN?
...UH...
WHAT IS IT?
ARE YOU JOKING AROUND... IN THIS SITUATION?
IS THAT TOO HARSH A QUESTION? IN HIS MIND IT WAS FOR ME
UM, YOU...
NO I CAN'T LOOK AT IT THAT WAY HE MIGHT DO SOMETHING WORSE IF I LET IT GO

*KOREAN SLANG FOR NOT WEARING UNDERWEAR. EQUIVALENT TO "GOING COMMANDO"

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Flinch
I
WHAT DID I JUST SAY?
YOU
COULDN'T HAVE...
SEEN SOMETHING?
NO! IT WAS A JOKE, JUST A JOKE. HAHAHAH. YOU BELIEVED ME? I JUST—
A...JOKE?

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NOT ALLOWING THEM TO GO ON THE SCHOOL TRIP? JOONGJUN, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

DEBI HAS LEFT THE MAIN GOONG AND IS TAKING SHELTER HERE
THE WANGSEJA COUPLE MUST SHOW RESTRAINT AND CONFINE THEMSELVES TO THE GOONG

NATURALLY WHEN I HEARD THE DEGIOUN FIRE WAS MOST LIKELY A SON, I WAS SHOCKED AND FRIGHTENED

BUT HOW IS THE DEGIOUN FIRE REL TED TO THE DONGGOONG COUPLE?

*YOUNGER ROYALS

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BUT YOU HAVE STILL BESTOWED FAVOR WITH A GENEROSITY LIKE THE RIVERS AND THE SEAS IMMEASURABLE ARE THE ROYAL FAVORS~
KOOK*
*SUPPRESSED LAUGHTER
SO, SO FUNNY SEJA~
THE RESERVED SEJA SPEAKING SO FORMALLY AND WITH SUCH A DEADPAN EXPRESSION— IT'S LIKE A COMEDY ACT HOHOHOHOHO~
HE'S UNBELIEVABLE. THE DEIJUN IS ALREADY SUSPICIOUS.
EVEN SUCKING UP TO HER MIGHT NOT BE ENOUGH RIGHT NOW. WHAT WILL HE DO IF THE DEIJUN TURNS UP EVIDENCE OR SOMETHING?

THAT DAMN TEMPER, REALLY—
!
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What kind of position was wanghi*? In historical dramas, the joongjun appears to have plenty of free time, always sitting in the Joonggoongjun plotting to oust the jugoong** and monopolize the wang, but was this how it really was?

*QUEEN **CONCUBINE

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The Joongjun, as the characters show*, was the heart of the goong. She was not the gookwang's vassal but was positioned at a level equal to the wang. While the wang pursued work outside the goong, the joongjun oversaw all matters within it.

As the mother of the state, and head of an internal staff of over 500, she was given vital duties and immense power. The joongjun actually had absolute power over the internal staff, so in practice, given a justifiable reason, she could legally execute even the king's most beloved hugoong.

The joongjun protected the elders, presided over ceremonies for women, such as the Chimjaerye and Neyun (a festival where etiquette was taught), and was involved in politics on behalf of her family.

Therefore, the joongjun, rather than spending her time reading or engaging in petty conspiracies, was a woman who forged goong culture, and a person of great authority who played a central role in goong history.

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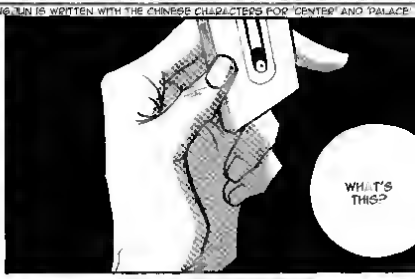

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KYAA! YOU LOOK PRETTY, CHAE GYUNG
YEAH, CUTE
ADORABLE SO UNLIKE YOUR USUAL SELF
WHAT DO YOU MEAN BY THAT?
YOU USED TO BE KNOWN AS A TERRIBLE DRESSER
A dragon is born! Clothes give you wings.
All done up, she's respectable.
How much do you think those cost?
*SOMEONE FROM MODEST MEANS BECOMING GREAT
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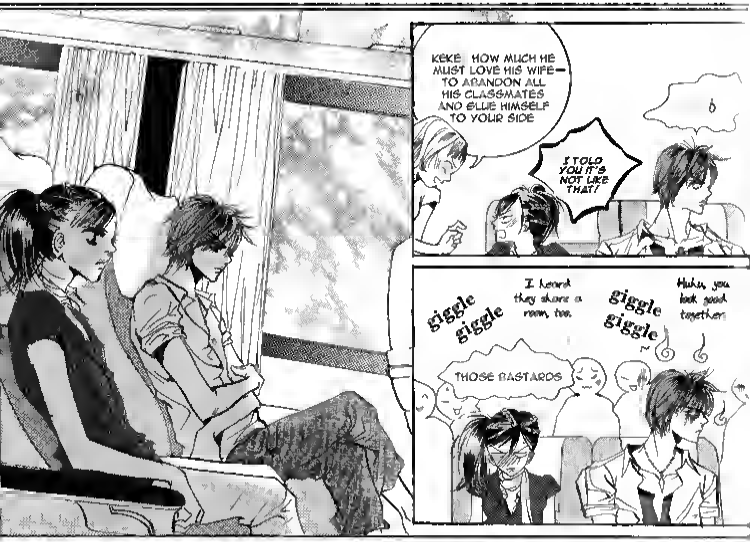

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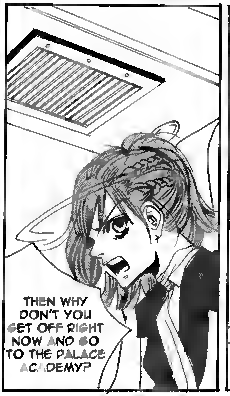

SO WHY
DID HE DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
BECAUSE OF THE WANGSEJA COUPLE'S SECURITY ISSUES, THE ELIG NG HIGH STUDENTS HAD TO SETTLE FOR LESS FAMOUS SITES FOR THEIR TRIP, RATHER THAN MORE CROWDED SCENIC LOCALES.
FOR THE STUDENTS' COMFORT, MOST OF THE GUARDS WERE ST TIONED OUTSIDE THE ACCOMMODATIONS ND WORKED IN CIVILIAN CLOTHING.
MY GOD...

WHAT IS THIS? IS THIS REALLY ALL THE FURNITURE? WHY ARE THE BEDS SO SMALL?
SHABBY
WE SHOULD BE THINKING ABOUT OUR CLASSMATES IT'S OUR FAULT THEY DIDN'T GET TO GO SOMEPLACE FAMOUS. AND TO TOP IT OFF, THEY HAVE TO STAY IN A DUMP LIKE THIS AS FOR ME
I WANTED TO GET TOGETHER WITH THE GIRLS, SNEAK A FEW DRINKS, TELL SCARY STORIES, DRAW ON THE ONES WHO FALL ASLEEP— THINGS LIKE THAT. BUT INSTEAD, I HAVE TO SHARE A ROOM WITH A LAME GUY LIKE YOU
WHAT? LAME?
THEN GO TO YOUR FRIENDS RIGHT NOW I'M NOT STOPPING YOU! PACK UP AND GO!!
WHY THE HELL ARE YOU GETTING MAD?
I'M UNCOMFORTABLE, TOO, WITH A VOYEUR LIKE YOU AROUND...
VOYEUR?
YEAH, VOYEUR! YOU SNEAK IN AND PEEK WHILE A PERSON'S SHOWERING,
AND YOU —
YOU'RE NO-PANTY RIGHT NOW, AREN'T YOU?

THE MATTRESS IS NICE AND SPRINGY~
YOU REALLY DIDN'T SEE ANYTHING THAT TIME?
SEE WHAT? OH, THAT SHOWER THING? THAT WAS JUST A JOKE~
JUST A... JOKE?
STILL UPSET ABOUT THAT?
WHAT'S A LITTLE PEEK BETWEEN SPOUSES, EH?
YOU SAW, RIGHT? YOU DID SEE, DIDN'T YOU?
I SAID I DIDN'T, YOU JERK! WHO ARE YOU TO TALK? YOU'RE THE ONE WHO WAS NO-PANTY
A-GIVE ME SOME SPACE HERE. IT'S HOT AS HELL, SERIOUSLY.

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THE DEBIJUN'S ALREADY OUR ENEMY,
SO PUTTING ASIDE THAT, YOU SHOULD BE PRETTY EXCITED, TOO
WHAT'S HE TALKING ABOUT?
ABOUT WHAT?
YOU SAID YOU OVERHEARD EVERYTHING I SAID THAT TIME. YOU MUST KNOW, RIGHT?
IT CAN'T BE ABOUT SETTING THE DEBIJUN ON FIRE?
WHAT DOES HE MEAN, BE EXCITED? DOES THAT MEAN HE'LL KEEP DOING IT?
YEAH, I'LL PRETEND I'M CLUELESS FOR NOW
WELL, ACTUALLY... I COULDN'T HEAR EVERYTHING THAT TIME. I JUST HEARD MY NAME IN THE CONVERSATION.
SO I THOUGHT YOU WERE MAKING SOME SILLY PLANS TO ANNOY ME OR SOMETHING

I JUST BROUGHT IT UP AS A JOKE AND YOU GOT SO SERIOUS
MY MISCHIEVOUS STREAK KICKED IN AND I PLAYED ALONG..
THEN... YOU DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING?
N-NO.
NOT EVEN JUST A LITTLE?
NO REALLY
OK..Y, ONCE I ENDURE JUST ONE MORE ROUND OF SHOUTING AND VERBAL ABUSE...
THEN YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING?
Eh.?
NO I JUST —
YOU —

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ALTHOUGH I LIVE CONFINED IN THE GOONG
I STILL HEAR THINGS. PLEASE TELL ME, AS ROYAL KINSMAN, IS THERE SOMEONE AMONG THE ROYALS HARBORING DISLOYAL THOUGHTS TOWARD THE SEJA?
ARE THERE THOSE WHO AT THEIR OWN PLEASURE WOULD DARE TRY TO REPLACE THE SEJA
THE FOUNDATION OF THIS NATION?
HUH? WHERE DID HE GO?

NO KIDDING CHAE JUN IS MY BROTHER-IN-LAW
I UNDERSTAND HIM WANTING TO PROTECT HIS SISTER, BUT... WELL, I THINK HE'S TREATING ME DIFFERENTLY THAN HE ORIGINALLY INTENDED TO.
HAHA I GOT IT. HE'S COMING ONTO YOU, RIGHT?
ANYWAY, DON'T TELL RINGOONGMAMA
SHE'LL GET UPSET REGARDLESS OF HOW IT TURNS OUT. HE WAS ONLY THINKING OF HIS SISTER
THAT'S—
OH, YEAH I THOUGHT ABOUT WHAT YOU SAID THAT OTHER TIME
WHAT I SAID?
YOU MIGHT HAVE SPOKEN CASUALLY BUT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO ME

LAST WEEK... THE DANCE TEACHER SPOKE TO ME PRIVATELY
THE DANCE DEPARTMENT DOESN'T NEED A GIRL WHO'S INVOLVED IN SCANDALS, AND WHO HAS A GUM KNEE TO BOOT. SO I WAS ASKED TO LEAVE.
IT'S OKAY. I HAD ALREADY GIVEN UP ON DANCING ANYWAY.
IF THE PRIMARY PLAN FAILS, I GUESS IT'S TIME TO THINK OF A SECONDARY PLAN.
I REALLY LIKE EUROPEAN HISTORY. AND I'VE ALWAYS WANTED TO STUDY IT.
SO I WAS REALLY GLAD WHEN YOU SAID THAT TO ME
YES
I KNOW IT WAS BASED ON A 'JUST FRIENDS' RELATIONSHIP.

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WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN SUCH A SECLUDED PLACE? A NOBLE PERSONAGE LIKE YOU...
WHERE DID YOU GET ALL THIS ALCOHOL? SECURITY MUST HAVE BEEN PRETTY TIGHT.
MM... GONG NESHI PLAYED A LARGE ROLE.

"MAMA, I'LL SEND YOU SOME BEER. WITH THE DONGSOONG EUNUCH'S SEAL, EVEN THE BODYGUARDS WILL BE SATISFIED~♡"
FEELS ODD SOMEHOW
YOU WERE
SHIN WAS ALWAYS INTIMIDATING AND THE OTHER ROYALS IGNORED ME, OR LOOKED DOWN ON ME,
REALLY A GOOD GUY
BUT YOU WERE ALWAYS A GOOD FRIEND

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NOTE JUNHA = WANG
THE JUSANG-JUNHA* WILL NOT TOLERATE IT ANY LONGER.
THERE ARE ALREADY SOME DISRESPECTFUL KINGMEN WHO ARE DISCUSSING REMOVAL PROCEEDINGS.
COULD BECOME THE IMPETUS
SEJA IS WALKING ON THIN ICE. IT'S A DANGEROUS SITUATION
EVEN THE MOST MINOR INCIDENT...
THAT PUSHES SHIN INTO AN EVEN MORE PRECARIOUS SITUATION.

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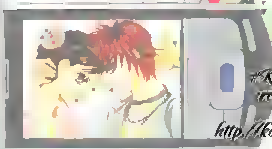

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DON'T YOU REALIZE WHAT THE SEJABIN'S HEALTH IS LIKE RIGHT NOW? SHE'S JUST STARTING TO IMPROVE A LITTLE.
WHAT WERE YOU THINKING, HAVING HER DRINK ALCOHOL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT?
grab
It's pretty embarrassing that I'm so sober..

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WOW, CONGRATS, BUT TAK!!! BASTARD, YOU'RE FINALLY BACK
(See Vol Chz. 148)
I'LL GET EVEN...
YOU WERE SO COOL WHEN YOU SAID THAT. BUT THEN YOU DISAPPEARED AND WE NEVER HEARD FROM YOU. WE WERE REALLY CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT YOU WERE DOING
Shut up!
THERE WAS SOMETHING I DID AFTERWARDS THAT YOU GUYS DON'T KNOW ABOUT
BUT I SWORE I WOULD KEEP MY MOUTH SHUT, SO I CAN'T TELL YOU.
I-We told you to Haruna if at the Beach? It was too dangerous!
W-well I couldn't..
PRECTICE ROOM
LET ME GO!
Like a chameleon

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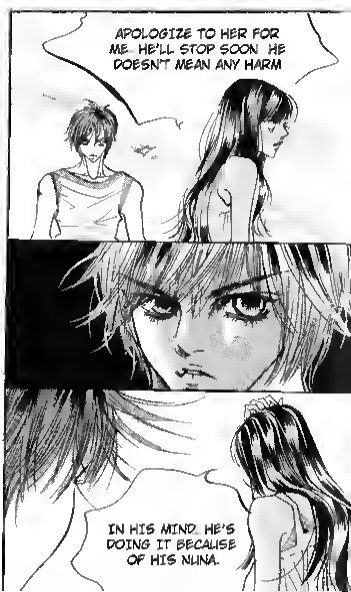

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A REMINDER OF A PAST WE WANT TO FORGET.
MIGHT BECOME FOR THE OTHER
I don't think I'll be able to stand it
Joong jun, I could wait no longer and ran here from Changdukgoong!
Please explain. Is he not your son? What in the world happened Joong jun!!

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*Bongoong- used to refer to one's own goong

SINCE IT OCCURRED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT, EVEN THE OTHER STUDENTS DON'T KNOW ABOUT IT. THERE IS NO DANGER OF RUMORS SO
PLEASE KEEP THIS INCIDENT FROM BEING REPORTED TO JUSANG-JUNHA.
*GangnyungJun Wang's quarters
I ALSO INTEND TO VISIT GANGNYUNGJUN*
JUMPS UP
AREN'T THE MOHU* AND BUWANG** ALSO THE BOY'S PARENTS? JUSANG MUST KNOW WHAT HE NEEDS TO KNOW.
*Mohu : Lwang's mother / **Buwang : a father who is Lwang (emphasizes his Co Heirhood)
I'LL BE GOING THEN

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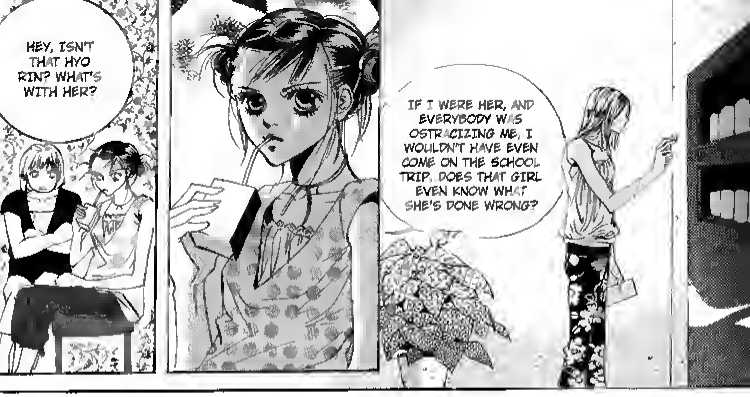
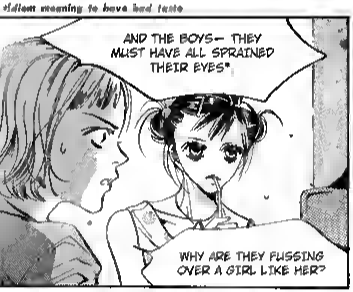
YES, MAMA, AS YOU WISH.
I WILL SEND OUT THE ORDERS IMMEDIATELY.
CONTACT THE NESUSA AND HAVE HIM REPORT IN ADVANCE TO THE JOONGGOONGJUN ABOUT THE DEBIJIN'S EXPENDITURES
SO... SHE INSISTS ON PLAYING THE ROLE OF OOTJUN*.
*Ootjun : Gong ji nyer
I WON'T TRY TO STOP HER, BUT...
SHE WILL LEARN, WITHOUT QUESTION.
JUST WHO THE MISTRESS OF THIS GOONG IS.

SO...
HAVE THE TWO OF YOU RECONCILED?
COLD ATMOSPHERE..
...
...
IS THERE ANYTHING TO BE RECONCILED? UNDOUBTEDLY, I WAS AT FAULT FOR GIVING THE FRAIL SEJABIN ALCOHOL SO LATE AT NIGHT.
I ACCEPT HIS CONDUCT AS THE NATURALLY ANGRY REACTION OF A HUSBAND CONCERNED FOR HIS WIFE.

What's with that sunsaeng? Why the hell is his face getting red and shit?
BUT, SUNSENGNIM, I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK YOU.
EH? WHAT?
suddenly next to him
AN AWKWARD SITUATION HAS DEVELOPED BECAUSE OF MY SWOLLEN CHEEK
WHAT THE HELL! WE'RE DEEP INSIDE AN ISOLATED MOUNTAIN— THERE'S NOWHERE TO GO DURING OUR FREE TIME.
NO CABLE TV, SO THERE ARE ONLY A FEW CHANNELS!
WHAT IS THIS? I'M BORED. THIS IS A CRAPPY SCHOOL TRIP!



*Idiom meaning to have bad taste



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IT'S IMPOSSIBLE, SUNSENGNIM! DIDN'T YOU SEE HOW CHAE GYUNG AND I WERE AT THE SCHOOL FESTIVAL?
I DON'T WANT TO BECOME A LAUGHINGSTOCK AGAIN, SO PLEASE DON'T MAKE ME DO SOMETHING LIKE THIS!
BUT WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO? HOW CAN HE PERFORM WITH HIS FACE LIKE THIS? YOU'RE THE ONE WHO DID IT TO HIM. CONSIDER THIS THE NATURAL CONSEQUENCE OF YOUR ACTION
PLEASE TAKE YUL'S ROLE FOR HIM, IF ONLY AS A WAY TO APOLOGIZE
SO... THIS IS THE WAY YOU GET YOUR REVENGE...

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JULIET'S ROLE, I AGREED TO DO IT.
HIS FACE IS A LITTLE SWOLLEN WHERE HE GOT HIT. THAT PETTY BASTARD HAS FOUND A GREAT WAY TO GET REVENGE. I HAVE TO PLAY THE ROLE FOR HIM.
Yeah. I'll just get out of here. That's the best plan
UH... THERE'S A TV IN THE LOUNGE I'LL HOOK THIS UP AND WATCH IT
THERE'S NO CABLE... AND YOU FILMED A LOT OF...
I can't laugh. I'm supposed to be really angry at him. It's a serious situation—
I'm about to picture something...
OOO...
No. I can't laugh!

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Implementing the plan ahead of schedule is the only way.
SHIN FILMED LOTS OF STUFF ON THE WAY HERE. HE GOT US TRICKING THE TEACHER ON THE FIRST DAY, TOO. IT'LL BE FUN. LET'S WATCH IT NOW.
SNOW
HEY, IT'S STARTING!
As usual, Chae Gyung is an issue...
but there's no other way

She and I are of such different minds that it's totally—
Hey. W-wait.
When she was leaving,
was she holding my camcorder?
WAIT SOMETHING S...
N-no! That tape's got —!!

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MYSTERY HORROR COURTROOM DRAMA

Starring: Shin Chae Gyung, Lee Shin

Director: Pretty Park

- Filmed in front of the courthouse -

"The Love-Hate Relationship of Newlyweds"

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▶ PLAY
OH MY GOD HE MUST HAVE SECRETLY TAPED IT. UHAHAHA, WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO HIM?
NOW WE'VE GOT SOMETHING ON YOU, SHIN CHAE GYUNG. A WANGSEJA IS PREPARED FOR EVERYTHING. EH?
WH-WHAT THE—? WHEN DID HE—?
SLAM

▶ PLAY

OMIGOD, WHAT WAS THAT? WHAT WAS HE TRYING TO DO? OH, MY GOD!
H-HEY, I THINK YOU GUYS ARE GETTING THE WRONG IDEA
THAT WAS—
HAHAHA, WE KNOW, WE KNOW HEY, WE'RE ENVIOUS WHO'S THE IDIOT WHO KNOCKED AT THE CRUCIAL MOMENT?
MALE
YOU'RE TOO MUCH WHAT WERE YOU GOING TO DO WITH A TAPE LIKE THAT?
FEMALE

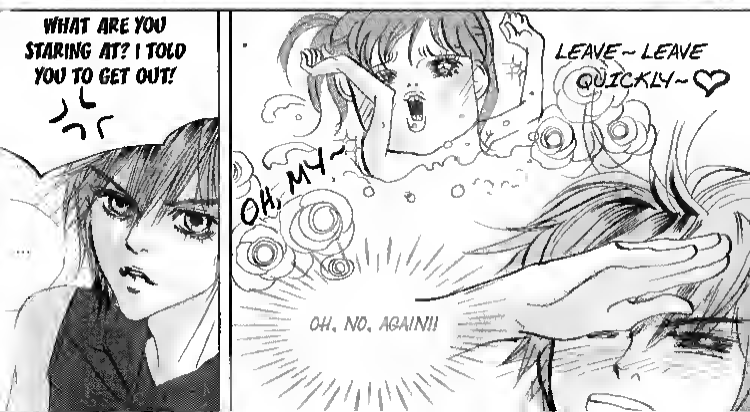
WHAT WAS THAT? BASTARD!
SPLASH
WHY IN THE WORLD DID HE TAPE SOMETHING LIKE THAT? IS HE A PERVERT?
OR DID HE DO IT TO MAKE FUN OF ME?
CREAK—

CLICK
HEY, I KNOW YOU'RE IN THERE
COME OUT I NEED TO TELL YOU SOME-THING
WHAT? I'M TAKING A BATH, SO WAIT!
THEN LISTEN WHILE YOU BATHE
I DON'T REALLY WANT TO LISTEN TO YOU!
I THINK YOU MISUNDER-STOOD... THAT SCENE— I DIDN'T TAPE IT ON PURPOSE
UM... I WAS GOING TO DRAW ON YOUR FACE YOU'RE ALWAYS THINKING ABOUT DOING THAT, RIGHT? SO I WANTED TO DO IT WHILE YOU WERE SLEEPING...
AWKWARD...
ANYWAY, I DIDN'T DO IT, SO WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE? I JUST HAD A SUDDEN IMPULSE...
THUMP
TH-THUMP
THEN...

WHY DID YOU FILM IT? WHY THE HELL DID YOU FILM IT AND HUMILIATE ME IN FRONT OF EVERYBODY?
NOW THE WHOLE SCHOOL THINKS WE'RE PERVERTS WHO MAKE SEX TAPES!
PERVERTS? WHO ARE YOU TO TALK ABOUT PERVERSION?
BAM
YOU'RE A VOYEUR WHO PEEKS INTO PEOPLE'S BATHROOMS!
WHY THE HELL ARE YOU BANGING? DON'T TAKE IT OUT ON THAT FLIMSY DOOR!
DAMN IT! WHO CARES ABOUT THIS CHEAP-ASS DOOR!
SMACK
POP
CREAK-
HUH?

AAACK!
WHAT? I KNEW THAT DOOR WAS WEAK, BUT—
...

ARE YOU CRAZY? HOW DARE YOU COME IN, YOU PERVERTED BASTARD!
GET OUT! GET OUT! WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN HERE?
She's making bubbles.
I TOLD YOU TO BE CAREFUL OF THAT DOOR.


WHAT ARE YOU STARING AT? I TOLD YOU TO GET OUT!
...
LEAVE~ LEAVE QUICKLY~
OH, MY~
OH, NO, AGAIN!!

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EVERYTHING IN THIS WORLD IS GIVE AND TAKE SO,
DON'T I HAVE THE RIGHT TO SEE YOU?
WH... WHAT?
YOU SAID SOMETHING LAST NIGHT—
THAT WE'LL EACH BECOME A MEMORY THE OTHER WANTS TO FORGET.
I'M SORRY, BUT
I DON'T WANT TO BE FORGOTTEN BY ANYONE—

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IMAGINING? IMAGINING WHAT?
W...
WELL...
THE THRILLING WORLD BENEATH THE BUBBLES...
BENEATH THE BUBBLES?
THRILLING...
OUT! GET OUT! YOU PERVERRRT!!!

WHY AM I LIKE THIS?
I'VE ALWAYS BEEN LEVEL-HEADED, CAREFUL AND RESTRAINED
YEAH... THIS HAD GOT TO BE RESULT OF BEING AN 18-YEAR-OLD BOY IN THE THROES OF PUBERTY
IF IT'S NOT...
COULD IT BE HALMAMAMA'S CURSE?
SESON WANTED

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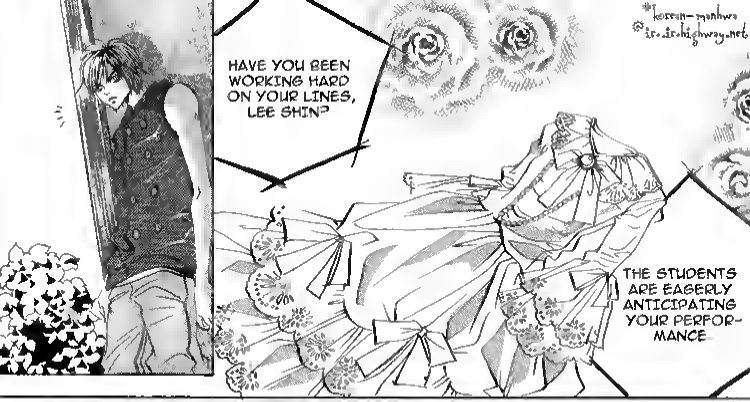

ANYWAY, I HAVE THINGS TO DO AT MY PROPERTY
THIS WILL BE THE ONLY CHANCE I GET. THEY'RE GOING TO BE WATCHING ME ALL THE TIME IN MY SENIOR YEAR.
WHEN THEY DISCOVER I'M GONE, THEY'LL JUST SAY I HAD TO LEAVE EARLY FOR OFFICIAL BUSINESS
THEY'RE AFRAID OF BAD PUBLICITY, SO THEY'LL COVER IT UP WHILE THEY SECRETLY LOOK FOR ME.
WELL, FOR AN EXPERIENCED RUNAWAY, THIS IS—
BESIDES, SHARING A ROOM WITH THAT GIRL IS TORTURE.
I'm in a sensitive phase...
It's dangerous. There might be an accident—66
SHIN, WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

YOU NEED TO HURRY UP AND CHANGE. DID YOU MEMORIZE ALL YOUR LINES?
EVERYONE'S WAITING, SO GET DRESSED OK?

I HEARD HE WAS CAUGHT CLIMBING THE WALL. THEY HAD TO DRAG HIM BACK
ROMEO AND
I will get it for you!
KEKE, LOOK AT THAT EXPRESSION. THIS PLAY IS GOING TO BE WORTH WATCHING, HUH? A DRESS ON THAT BODY... HAHAHA
AWW... I FEEL SORRY FOR HIM. DID YOU SEE HIM? HE LOOKS LIKE A CORPSE.
YUL WENT OVER-BOARD GETTING REVENGE FOR THE FESTIVAL INCIDENT, DON'T YOU THINK? THAT GUY IS PETTIER THAN HE LOOKS
OH YEAH, THE ACTOR PLAYING ROMEO WAS SUDDENLY REPLACED.
IT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE MOON SYUL, BUT SU CHUL INSISTED HE HAD TO DO IT, SO...
SU CHUL? KANG SU CHUL IS FAMOUS...
FOR BEING...
SHIN'S STALKER...
*holding a package of 'Shin' ramen - different character, same sound
Love Syul
*tall... an arm: Chinese character for 'Shin'
YEAH... IT WAS DIFFERENT WHEN YUL DID IT. THAT WAS LIKE A GLORIOUS WORLD OF LIGHT...
IT REALLY DOESN'T SUIT HIM
SOMEHOW, I'M GETTING DEPRESSED
*SFX: GLUM

WHAT'RE YOU STARING AT? LOOK AWAY... LAUGH, AND YOU DIE...
666
OHHH, JULIET, MY LOVE, YOU MUST NOT DIE!
BASTARD. WHY IS HE OVERACTING LIKE THIS?
OHHH, WITH THIS POTION I WILL FOLLOW YOU IN DEATH—
DRINK IT QUICKLY AND DIE, YOU BASTARD!
THIS POTION—

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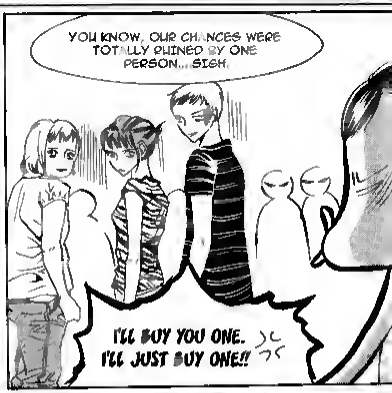
Ohhh...
NO!!
STEP
GASP

WHAT SHOULD WE DO ABOUT THIS SUNSEONIM?
JUST FINISH UP SOMEHOW AND END IT!
AND SO ROMEO, IN ORDER TO FOLLOW HIS LOVE, JULIET
DRANK THE POTION AND ENDED HIS LIFE.
Die for me, I will join you.
Hey, shouldn't you stop now?
My inner

OUR CLASS COULD HAVE COME IN FIRST AND WON AN AUDIO SYSTEM... SIGH.


YOU KNOW, OUR CHANCES WERE TOTALLY RUINED BY ONE PERSON... SIGH.
I'LL BUY YOU ONE.
I'LL JUST BUY ONE!!

REMEMBER YOU PROMISED ANYWAY...LET'S GET GOING. I'M STARVING

SWISH
WHEW! I THOUGHT I'D DIE FROM THE HEAT. WHY DO I HAVE TO SUFFER LIKE THIS?
W-WELL, I'LL BE GOING
YOU'RE GOING?
YOU HAVEN'T EATEN. GO AND GET SOMETHING.

THANKS...
IF I'D BEEN KISSED BY THAT BASTARD,
I MIGHT HAVE SPENT THE REST OF MY LIFE CURSING MYSELF FOR AGREEING TO COME ON THIS TRIP.

I ONLY DID IT BECAUSE YOUR EXPRESSION WAS SO PITIFUL.
UM... YOU CAN LET GO
AH... THE SCENT OF HIS SHAMPOO...
AM I THE PERVERT?
YOU'RE NOT ASLEEP ARE YOU? LET ME GO I'M GOING INSIDE—
I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT IT...
IF YOU WANT, WE CAN GO TOGETHER
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WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? HASN'T EVERY-THING ALREADY BEEN DECIDED?
I DON'T WANT TO GET IN THE WAY...
BESIDES, AFTER THE DIVORCE, I'LL—
YOU'RE STRANGE...
YOU SAY YOU WANT TO DIVORCE, BUT...
WHENEVER I SAY THE WORD DIVORCE,
I'LL...
YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'RE GOING TO BURST INTO TEARS

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YOU LOOKED AT ME WIDE-EYED AND ASKED ME ALL KINDS OF STRANGE THINGS
IF I'D BEEN TO MYUNGDONG, IF I'D BEEN TO DONG-DEMOON MARKET, IF I'D SEEN A FILM IN A CROWDED THEATER—
LISTENING TO YOU MADE MY LIFE SEEM LIKE A FARCE—
SO I LOOKED FORWARD TO THE DAY I'D DIVORCE YOU.
I THINK THE DECISION TO EXCLUDE YOU FROM STUDYING ABROAD HAPPENED AROUND THEN, TOO
BUT NOW, ONCE IN A WHILE,
I ASK MYSELF—

COULD I...
GO ON LIVING WITHOUT YOU?

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THOSE WORDS...
THEY CAN'T MEAN...
SHIN, YOU BASTARD— YOU FEEL THAT WAY, TOO?
OF-OF COURSE, I FEEL THAT, TOO BUT... ANYWAY, WE'RE—
TO FINISH WHAT I WAS SAYING—
I GUESS I'D SURVIVE WITHOUT YOU.
GASP!

PEOPLE GROW ACCUSTOMED TO THINGS, ONE WAY OR ANOTHER
I'M SURE
YOU WOULD
I LIVED 16 YEARS WITHOUT YOU, SO I'D BE ABLE TO ADJUST EVEN IF YOU DISAPPEARED
WHAT'S WITH THAT DISAPPOINTED EXPRESSION?
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WHO'S DISAPPOINTED?
I'D PROBABLY MISS YOU A LOT, THOUGH.

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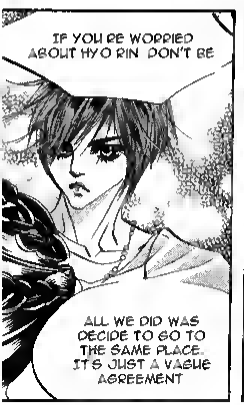

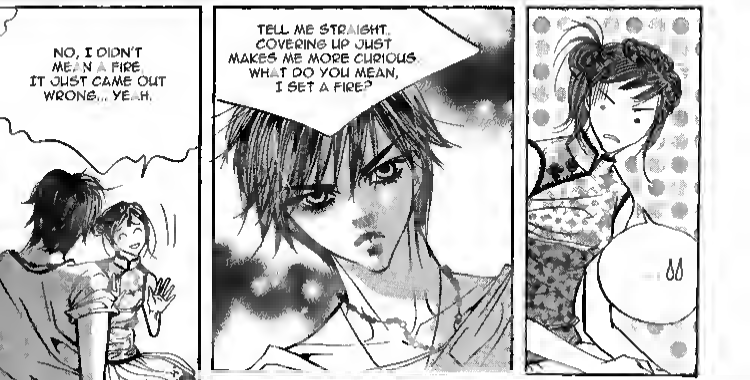

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YOU SET FIRE TO MY HEART! A FIRE IN MY CHEST! ALL RIGHT, YOU BASTARD?
HUFF HUFF
KE KE KE
WHAT ?
HEH
SINCERE
OF COURSE... I ALREADY KNEW THAT.
DID HE REALLY START THAT FIRE? ooo
WHEN FOREIGN VISITORS TO KOREA ARE ASKED TO CHOOSE WHAT THEY FOUND MOST MEMORABLE ABOUT THE COUNTRY
NINE OUT OF TEN CHOOSE KOREA'S ROYALTY

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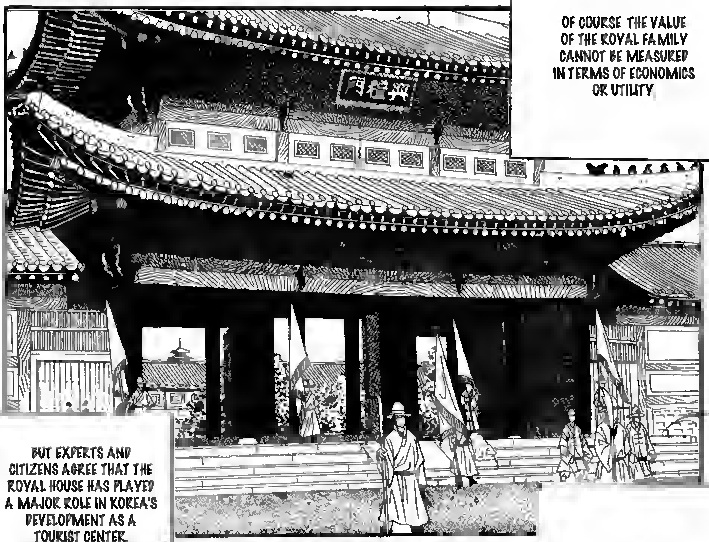
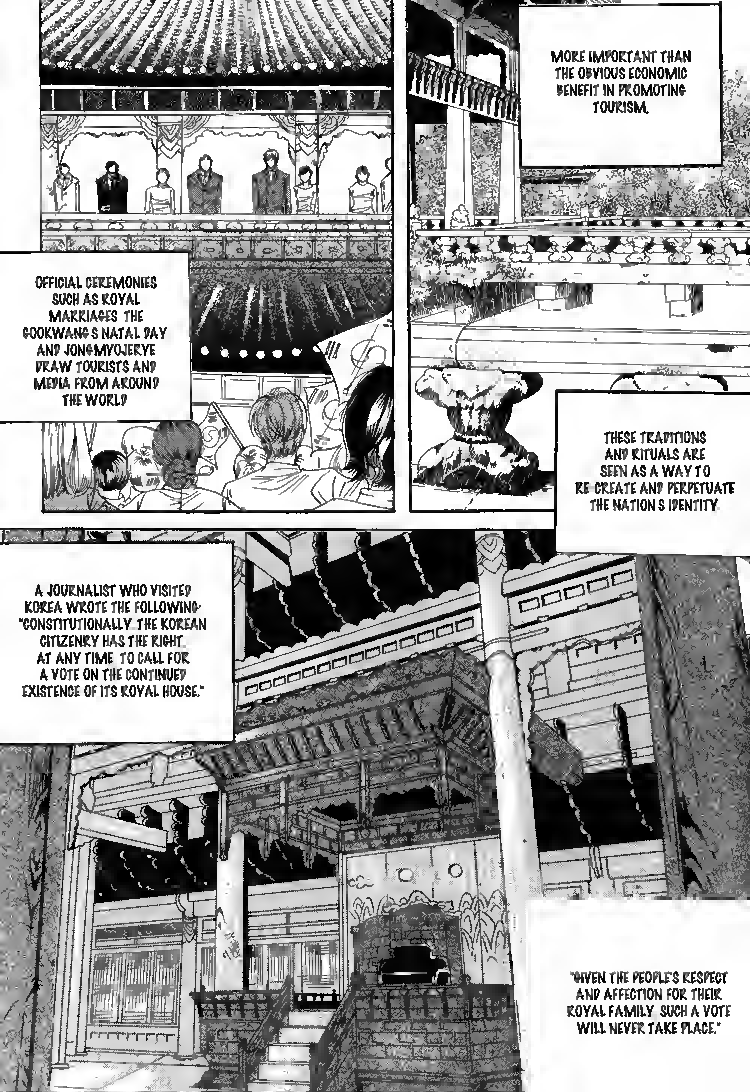


OF COURSE THE VALUE OF THE ROYAL FAMILY CANNOT BE MEASURED IN TERMS OF ECONOMICS OR UTILITY.

BUT EXPERTS AND CITIZENS AGREE THAT THE ROYAL HOUSE HAS PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN KOREA'S DEVELOPMENT AS A TOURIST CENTER.

THE SIGHT OF THE PALACE WOMEN WALKING THE GROUNDS DRESSED IN BEAUTIFUL, TRADITIONAL COSTUME IS UNIQUE TO KOREA.

ROYALTY'S EFFORTS TO MAINTAIN TRADITION HAVE CREATED THE IMAGE THAT KOREA IS 'A NATION WHERE TRADITION AND MODERNITY HAVE REACHED A PERFECT BALANCE'.


OFFICIAL CEREMONIES SUCH AS ROYAL MARRIAGES THE GOOKWANG'S NATAL DAY AND JONGMYOJEREYE DRAW TOURISTS AND MEDIA FROM AROUND THE WORLD
MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE OBVIOUS ECONOMIC BENEFIT IN PROMOTING TOURISM.
THESE TRADITIONS AND RITUALS ARE SEEN AS A WAY TO RE-CREATE AND PERPETUATE THE NATION'S IDENTITY.
A JOURNALIST WHO VISITED KOREA WROTE THE FOLLOWING: "CONSTITUTIONALLY, THE KOREAN CITIZENRY HAS THE RIGHT, AT ANY TIME, TO CALL FOR A VOTE ON THE CONTINUED EXISTENCE OF ITS ROYAL HOUSE."
"GIVEN THE PEOPLE'S RESPECT AND AFFECTION FOR THEIR ROYAL FAMILY, SUCH A VOTE WILL NEVER TAKE PLACE."

TELL OH SANGGOONG AND YOON SANGGOONG TO ENTER
SLIDE
!
!
I ASKED FOR OH SANGGOONG AND YOON SANGGOONG WHY ARE YOU HERE?
I HAVE NEVER SEEN YOU BEFORE WHY ARE YOU HERE IN THE DEBIJUN?
WE ARE MIN SANGGOONG AND KANG SANGGOONG WE WILL BE SERVING YOU FROM NOW ON
WHAT?

WITH WHOSE PERMISSION HAVE YOU COME TO SERVE ME?
AND BY WHOSE ORDER WERE THE OTHERS REMOVED? EXPLAIN THIS IMPROPER BEHAVIOR.
OH SANGGOONG AND YOON SANGGOONG HAVE BEEN REASSIGNED TO DEWANGDESIJUN.
THESE CHANGES...
WERE COMMANDED BY THE MISTRESS OF THE PALACE HOUSEHOLD, JOONGJUNMAMA.
WHAT? JOONGJUN?
SOON IT WILL BE TIME TO CELEBRATE THE FIRST WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF DONGGOONGMAMA AND GINMAMA.
"AND" HER WAY TO REFER TO JOONGJUN EMPHASIZES HER AUTHORITY OVER INTERNAL PALACE AFFAIRS (NE = INNER)
WITH SO MANY EVENTS AHEAD, BOTH LARGE AND SMALL, NEOJIN* HAS BEEN CONCERNED ABOUT DISORDER IN THE PALACE

SO...
ACCORDING TO A REPORT SUBMITTED TO JOONGJUNMAMA BY THE SANGGOONGS IN CHARGE OF INSPECTION, SEVERAL SANGGOONGS HAVE BEEN LEAKING PALACE INFORMATION TO ROYAL KINSMEN OH SANGGOONG AND YOON SANGGOONG WERE AMONG THOSE IMPLICATED
DOES THAT JUSTIFY REMOVING MY SANGGOONGS WITHOUT EVEN GIVING THEM TIME TO BID ME FAREWELL?
JOONGJUN HAS MADE CHANGES WITHOUT WARNING IN AN EFFORT TO RE-ESTABLISH ORDER WITHIN THE COURT. WE HAVE BEEN ASKED, ON HER BEHALF, TO SEEK YOUR UNDERSTANDING ABOUT THIS MATTER
FROM TODAY ON,
WE WILL SERVE DEBIMAMA WITH ALL SINCERITY AND DEVOTION
WHAT?
JOONGJUN HAS BEEN LYING LOW AND MERELY ACTING MEEK!

EVEN WITH HIS FACE LIKE THAT HE'S STILL MORE POPULAR WITH THE GIRLS THAN YOU ARE
Then again you're a married man...h
...um... a photo together...
Uh, too, yuh~
ANYWAY, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO? WITH HER TEMPER, DEBIMAMA IS GOING TO GO BERSERK WHEN SHE SEES HIS FACE
BESIDES, YUL'S NOT JUST ANY PRINCE
HE'S SECOND-IN-LINE FOR THE CROWN SECOND! WHEN IT'S HIM, EVEN A MINOR INJURY IS SIGNIFICANT
TOUGH.
IT'S HIS PUNISHMENT FOR HAVING EVIL DESIGNS ON HIS COUSIN-IN-LAW.
EVIL DESIGNS? WHAT DO YOU MEAN? WHAT KIND OF BIZARRE THING ARE YOU THINKING?
DO YOU THINK I'M AN IDIOT?
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YUL'S BEHAVIOR AND THE WAY YOU TREAT HIM HAVE BOTH CHANGED
I CAN TELL THERE'S SOME STRANGE ATMOSPHERE BETWEEN YOU TWO.
NOW WHAT COULD THAT BE?
WHAT'S GOING ON?
TO HAVE YOU AS A COUSIN-IN-LAW IS UNBEARABLE.
I CAN'T CONTROL MY FEELINGS ANY LONGER
IF YOU WANTED ME TO I WOULD GIVE UP EVERYTHING

I DON'T KNOW YUL...
I'VE GOTTEN THE FEELING THAT...
IT'S POSSIBLE...
HE CARES FOR ME A BIT MORE THAN YOU DO, BUT—
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DO YOU THINK THAT'S SOMETHING YOU SHOULD SAY TO YOUR HUSBAND?
WHAT?
CARES A BIT MORE? FOR HIS COUSIN-IN-LAW?

I-I MEANT AS A FRIEND... TO CARE DEEPLY FOR ME AS A FRIEND—
WHY THE CHANGE? YOUR EXPRESSION JUST NOW WAS PRETTY INTENSE! DO YOU REGRET IT THAT MUCH? THAT YOU COULDN'T MARRY HIM?!
KNOCK. KNOCK
!
WHO IS IT?
SLAP

THAT'S...
SEUNG MOK?
CHAE GYUNG, THIS IS FOR YOUR EYES ONLY!
CHAE GYUNG, THOUGH WE'RE NOT TOGETHER NOW,
I THINK I'VE SEEN THIS IN SOME MOVIE...
DURING EACH MOMENT OF THIS LONG~ SEPARATION, I WAIT FOR YOU AS I SWIM THROUGH THE STARS... HUHU OUR TIME OF SEPARATION WILL SOON END
NOT ONLY UNORIGINAL, BUT CHEESY, TOO!!
WHAT'S WITH THAT SELF-SATISFIED LOOK?
Heh
Did you pass out because I'm so awesome?
KNOCK KNOCK
?
AE GYUNG
LUB U

GET LOST.
Y-YOU INTER-LOPER!
Shaking in fear still makes a heart dil
You know my feelings, right?
Aaarrg~
DAMN IT. WHAT THE HELL-- THAT GUY AGAIN...
FOR A PLAIN GIRL, YOU SURE SNAG YOUR SHARE OF GUYS. IT'S A MYSTERY.
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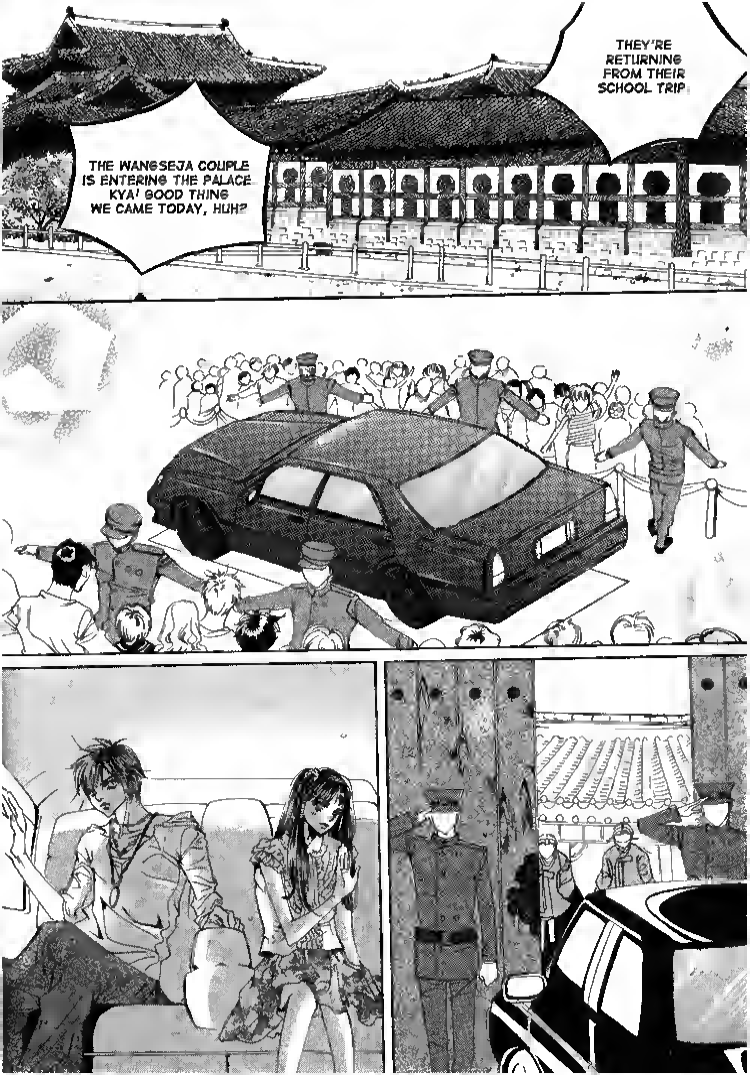
ACK!
MAN...
I'D UNDERSTAND IF THEY WERE DECENT BASTARDS, BUT
UM...
THEY'RE ALL IDIOTS LIKE SEUNG MOK AND EUI TAK SORRY BASTARDS
UM... UM, SHIN I—
CAN YOU MOVE?
I'M BEING SMUSHED!


THEY'RE RETURNING FROM THEIR SCHOOL TRIP.
THE WANGSEJA COUPLE IS ENTERING THE PALACE. KYA! GOOD THING WE CAME TODAY, HUH?

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DID JUNHA FIND OUT SOMETHING ABOUT THE DEBIJUN AKSON?
YEAH... JUNHA HAS ACCESS TO ALL KINDS OF INFORMATION
IS JUNHA CALLING SHIN BECAUSE HE LEARNED ABOUT HIS INVOLVEMENT?
DON'T GO, SHIN!
WHAT?

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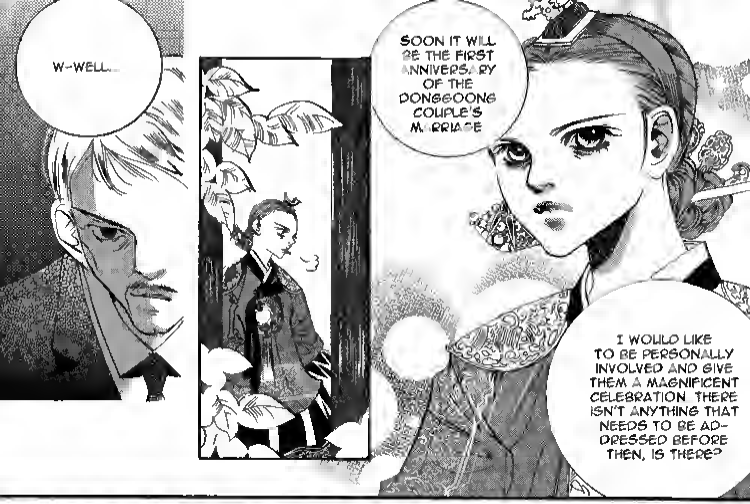
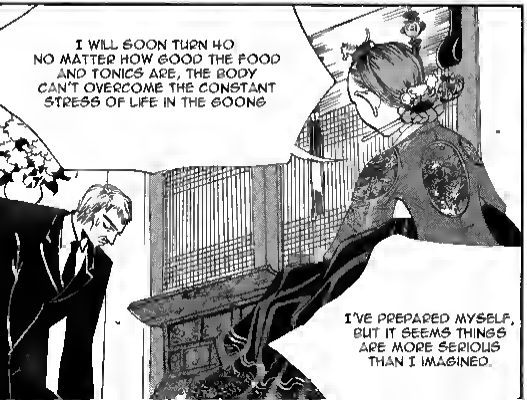
LOOK, I'M TELLING YOU THAT'S NOT IT!
WHY ARE YOU SO DENSE, HUH?
I'LL ESCORT HER

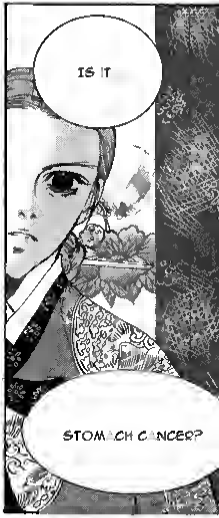
ONCE YOU'RE THERE, FEED HER AND GET HER TO GO TO SLEEP.
SHE'S GOT TO BE OVERTIRED IF SHE'S TALKING LIKE THIS
W-WAIT A SECOND—
DON'T WORRY.

SHIN...
IS NOT THE CULPRIT.

MAMA, UIHEUIYUNGGAM* IS HERE
YOU MAY ALL LEAVE AND SEE THAT I AM NOT DISTURBED
YES, MAMA
TELL HIM TO ENTER
*TITLE OF RESPECT FOR THE ROYAL PHYSICIAN (UIHEUI)
YOU'RE HERE, SOOKBUNIM**
I'VE BEEN EXPECTING YOU
**FATHER'S YOUNGER BROTHER
YOUR EXPRESSION IS DARK, SOOKBUNIM
YES, JOONGJUNMAMA
JOONGJUN'S SOOKBU: HE GRADUATED FIRST IN HIS CLASS AT THE ROYAL UNIVERSITY OF KOREAN MEDICINE AND HELD TENURE AS A PROFESSOR. AT THE AGE OF 30 HE ENTERED THE GOONG AS UIHEUI
WERE THE TEST RESULTS UNSATISFACTORY?







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PLEASE LISTEN CAREFULLY.
MAMA IS...
WITH CHILD.

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, SOOKBUNIM?
DO YOU KNOW HOW OLD I AM?
THIS IS NEWS THE ROYAL HOUSEHOLD AND THE PUBLIC SHOULD REJOICE OVER PROGENY IS ALWAYS PRECIOUS TO THE ROYAL FAMILY
WHETHER THE ROYAL CHILD IS A PRINCE OR PRINCESS,
HOWEVER, IF THE CHILD IS A PRINCE,

IT MAY TRIGGER A POWER STRUGGLE FOR THE POSITION OF SECOND-IN-LINE.
IT'S NOTHING TO BE SURPRISED ABOUT, YOU KNOW
I'M SURE THEY'LL REBUILD IT WELL.

THE OLD GUY LIKES OSTENTATION. IF I HADN'T TAKEN CARE OF THAT OLD BUILDING, HE'S THE TYPE TO HAVE SET IT ON FIRE HIMSELF OR SOMETHING.
I DID HIM A FAVOR BY TAKING CARE OF IT FOR HIM. SHOULDN'T HE ACTUALLY BE GRATEFUL TO ME?
EXPLAIN THIS RECORDING TO ME, SHIN
AFTER LISTENING TO THIS, IT SEEMS THE CULPRIT BEHIND THE DEBIJUN ARSON CAN BE EASILY IDENTIFIED.
NOW YOU EVEN TAP PHONES, AJUMMA?
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ARAMAMA SEES ME
I'M HURT...
AS A PERSON WHO WOULD DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT?
BASED ON YOUR BEHAVIOR LATELY, DEFINITELY
YOU RUINED THE NEW YEAR CELEBRATION WHEN YOU WERE EGGED BY SOMEONE YOU ANTAGONIZED. YOU DISGRACED THE ROYAL HOUSE OVER DRUGS AND A GIRL WHEN YOU WERE IN GREAT BRITAIN—
AND ON THIS RECENT TRIP YOU COMMITTED ASSAULT. SOMETHING A SEJA SHOULD NEVER DO

*NOTE THAT SHIN IS ADDRESSING HIS FATHER AS YOU SOMETHING NO KOREAN WOULD DO IT IS ESPECIALLY DISRESPECTFUL SINCE HIS FATHER IS THE WANG

SINCE CHILDHOOD, I'VE BEEN GROOMED AS WANGSEJA. I'VE LIVED THINKING ABOUT NOTHING OTHER THAN MY FUTURE INHERITANCE OF THE THRONE...
BUT WATCHING ABAMAMA'S TREATMENT OF YUL AND DEBIJUN, I SOON REALIZED ABAMAMA'S INTENTIONS...
WHAT IN THE WORLD ARE YOU—?
BUT ABAMAMA,
WHAT? WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
IF A PERSON IS CONTINUALLY BEING PUSHED TO THE CLIFF'S EDGE...
I HAD PLANNED TO GO ALONG WITH THOSE INTENTIONS WHEN THE TIME CAME
THERE COMES A TIME WHEN THAT PERSON NATURALLY PUSHES BACK TO AVOID BEING PUSHED ANY FARTHER

IN ORDER TO PROTECT MYSELF
AND AT THE VERY LEAST, PROTECT UHMAMAMA AND MY WIFE
I INTEND TO DEFEND MY POSITION AS WANGSEJA.
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※ NETIZENS' O, S, A, AND Q ARE FICTIONAL CHARACTERS INVENTED BY THE AUTHOR.
*INTERNET CITIZENS - PEOPLE ON THE NET

NETIZEN O

THERE'S A STRANGE RUMOR FLOATING AROUND THAT GONG NESHI IS ACTUALLY A WOMAN

Heh? If that gramps is a woman...

he's a Siberian Husky

NETIZEN S

I HEARD THE AUTHOR IS MORE ATTACHED TO THE SHIN/YUL COUPLE THAN THE MAIN SHIN/GG COUPLE...

What're u saying? My fave's not Shin/Yul

Huk

it's Yul♡Gong

NETIZEN A

SINCE THE AUTHOR LIKES INCESTUOUS MATERIAL, I HEARD YOU'RE PLANNING AN ENDING WHERE SHIN AND CHAE GYUNG ARE REVEALED TO BE HALF-SIBLINGS

Damn it...

Just Kill me instead

FINALLY,

NETIZEN Q

THE AUTHOR'S NICKNAME IS PATTY PARK. I HEAR SHE'S ACTUALLY A WOMAN OF GREAT BEAUTY.

Wh-what? That's...

BINGO!

You still haven't come to your senses, idiot~!!

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